



Town of Arlington Zoning Board of Appeals

Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 10, 2018
7:45 PM

Present: Kevin Mills, Christian Klein, Vice Chair, Roger DuPont, Joseph Moen and Shawn O'Rourke

1. Docket #3562 96 Oakland Avenue

Owners David Serabian and Tracy L. Wallace-Serabian are requesting a permit to build a free-standing wood frame accessory structure with dimensions approximately 20' x 24' with height of 18' 2".

Lawyer Carl Toumayan states permit should not have been denied. Christian asks for use of structure, Carl answers storage, man cave. Roger asks open space footage, Rick answers it is in compliance by a mile. Christian asks about water line to structure, owner David replies it isn't supposed to be on there.

The Board asked the audience if they had any questions. Dan Perlman asks why the structure was so large, and that it is not in spirit of tool shed for storage. New zoning is about pro nature. He has some concerns that the structure could loom over the yard. Mr. Perlman stated that he had satellite images of neighbors sheds, and states that the grade is 3 ft. above normal, says engineering said needs to be returned to original. Mr. O'Rourke asked about fill, owner David Serabian said it was brought in for storm management. Lawyer Carl argues that's not for zoning board, permit should be issued. Mr. DuPont asks about ladders on the slab, owner answers just temporary. Mr. Vallarelli, Building Inspector had told owner to get a structural engineer to supply plans, he did. Dan asks about 12" elevation and finish grade, Mr. Klein answers not our issue, that's building dept. Ellen Hitzrot asks what the structure will look like, why was grade raised, owner answers went by engineering instructions. Kathy Feinmann asks why ladders are there, owner answers just temporary.

Roger makes motion to find special permit not necessary.

All in favor.

SO VOTED: 5-0

2. Docket # 3563 70 Palmer Street

Owner Audrey Cahill is requesting a permit to add a dormer to her house to allow more room for her children. Builder Bob Terrenzoni is present.

Rick requested better elevations and owner complied. Kevin asks about neighbors and shading with a dormer. no issues. Bob has made other dormers in neighborhood, no problems.

Christian asks for public to speak, no one does. Christian makes motion to approve.

All in favor.

SO VOTED: 5-0